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NEWS OF HORSES AND HORSEMEN

Mr. Hancock Writes About Virginia-Bred Steeplechasers, Which Are Great.

SOME OF THE GREAT ONES OUT

And There Are Others, Too. Sale of Aurus, Son of Eolus and Sample.

mation concerning Virginia-bred steeplechase horses, I am favored with the following interesting communication from Arthur B. Hancock, who directs affairs at R. J. Hancock & Son's far-famed El-

leralic Stud, Charlottesville, Under date of January 2d, 1905, Mr.

Hancock writes: Dick Hanse, who beat Imperialist, Woolgatherer and all the best chasers two po three times in Canada last season, is by Eon, dam Montebelle (half/sister to MaBelle and Charade) by Mont D'Or; Charley Moore by Eon, dam Lady Grace, won up there and but for his "cunning", Wm. Garth thinks, would have the best of the year, as he considers him on the flat, the class of the whoe bunch-Good, and Plenty, and Fox not excepted; Ogress by Eon, dam Emma A., (year-old mare), by Lisbon, It seems, the best of all the Mary-Virginia and elsewhere/ hunter

chiners, ag she won ensily, twice, I think, at Pimileo and once at Bennings, and gave good promise of going with the others when she and Imperialist ran each other to death at Bennings the last day of the meeting and were beaten by Ivon, by Terriffer, another Virginiabred horse, with very light weight.

These are the only ones that I know of by Eon's to start. They show him up wonderfully as a hunter and steeple-chase sire. Why, don't some of the enterprising Virginians, especially of the Deep Run Hunt Cub set, breed to him to that end? It is evident that in the class of hunters over the country more blood is wanted, at the same time weight carries, with plenty of bone and substance. It would pay them to buy his yearlings now that such handsome stakes are given for three-year-old 'chasers.

King Carter was a good one and shows the value of McGavock's fot again. By Mistlands, out of Iallah, by Imp. Charitius, second dam, Miss Grace, (sister of Dalblo, by Eolus), Landside by same horse, won all three of the hunt; cups, (the Green Spring Valley, Maryland, and Brooklyn Wood hunt cups), given in Maryland in the spring. His owner is the deservedly popular Mr. H. do the Green Spring Valley hounds (one of the best packs in America), Mr. Redmond C. Stowart, of Ballimore.

Of the 'chasers the past few years from Virginia there were from Ellersile. Charawind, a good winner this season, Charagace, one of the best. The Virginia there were from Ellersile. Charawind, a good winner this season, Charagace, one of the best. The Virginia there were from Ellersile. Charawind, a good winner this season, Imperialist and Mr. Churchill, also by Norwood, was also a winner of three sleeplechase stakes last year, and Ninos, also a winner over the jumps. Imperialist, the buy gelding, has been a good one for several seasons. Mr. Churchill, also by Norwood, was also a winner this season, Imperialist and Mr. Churchill, also by Norwood, was also a winner this season, Imperialist and Mr. Churchill were bred in the Valmont stud, of Pitts & Dorr

you a fine stud of horses. With all good wishes for 1905.

Very truly yours.

ARTHUR B. HANCOCK.

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Albita, the son of imp. St. Munge and Ollel by Virgli, who lieuds the stud at Robert Bradley's Greenway Farm, Wilcox Wharf, Va. is now twenty years old, but the brown stallion is vigorous and promises to sire many more winners and probably among them another horse good enough ta capture the American Derby, as Robert Waddell did for Mr. Bradley some years since. The list of two-year-olds bred at Greenway and sired by Aloha, all of whom are registered with the Jockey Club, of New York, are Awau, bay filly dam Panwhy, by Panique; Lady Stewart, chestnut ally dam Mrs. Stewart, by Panique; Belle of Virginia, bay filly, dam Helena Belle; Gardiner, brown cott, dam Dixle Lee; Annie Berry, dam Annie L. by Startle; Julia Rothschild, brown filly, dam Miss Casey; Baby Willie, brown filly, dam Miss Casey; Baby Willie, brown filly, dam Miss Casey; Baby Willie, brown filly, dam Myser, chestnut cett, dam Avola, by Fonse; Anna Schaller, brown filly, dam Planche, by Prosper; Little Water, brown filly, dam Miss Casei and Carnation, bay filly, dam Planche, by Prosper; Little Water, brown filly, dam Water Witch, by Imn. Deceiver, and Carnation, bay filly, dam Planche, by Prosper; Little Water, by Prosper; Little Water, brown filly, dam Water Witch, by Imn. Deceiver, and Carnation, bay filly, dam

are Awan, bay filly, dam Paiwiny, by Panique; Lady Stowart, chesinut filly dam Mrs. Stowart, by Panique; Belley for the State, and an article in The Virginia, bay filly, dam Helena Bolle; Gardiner, brown colt, dam Dixle Lee; Annie Berry, dam Annie L. by Startie; Julia Rothischild, brown filly, dam Miss Casey; Baby Willie, brown filly, dam Brown Gal; W. W. Pierce, chestnut celt, dam Avola, by Fonse; Anna Schaller, brown filly, dam Blanche, by Prosper; Little Water, brown filly, dam Water Witch, by Imp. Decoiver, and Carantion, bay filly, dam Plak H., by Prosper.

William H. Langhorne, son of C. D. Langhorne, clubman, wit and charming raconteur, is now in charge of affairs at Boiling Springs Farm, near Warren, in Albemarle county, Va., where he is breeding theroughbreds, huntery, jumpers and saddle horses, including brood mares and youngsters. Young the following the county of the State of the State and an article in The times Dispatch of Sunday last, making the complex of the Missing of the State, and an article in The virial of Virginia, bay making the complex of the Missing of the State, and an article in The Virginia, bay making the complex of the Missing of the State, and an article in The Virginia, bay making the complex of the Missing of the State of Virginia, bay under way looking to the Julia Rothis of the State of the

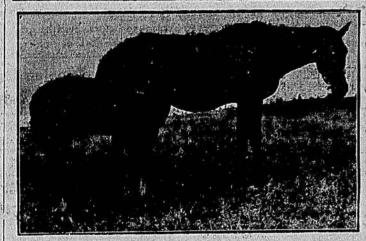
R. J. Hancock & Son, of the Ellersile
Stud, Charlottesville, Va., have sold to
Roy G. Mitchell, Aqua Postoffice, Rockbridge county, Va., the black horse, Aurus, 10, thoroughbred son of Equis and
Sample by imp. Rotherhill. He will
be used by Mr. Mitchell to breed hunters
and jumpers. Aurlus got a useful breadwinner in Geisha Girl, who won in Callfornia hast season, out of Emma A., dam
of Micous and Ogress, by Lisbon. The
black son of Eolus is a fine, big, handsome horse and is likely to accomplish

GRAND PRIZE FOR RICHMOND

The Proposed Electric Railways Will Open Up a Fine Trade.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) TAPPAHANNOUK, VA., January 7.— Basex citizens are much exercised at the prospect of a railroad through this section of the State, and an article in The

from the Rappahannock Valley than any section of Virginia. Nearly one-half of it found its way to Richmond and Norfolk by sall vessels. Now statistics show that the poultry product alone exceeds greatly that of the grain prior to the war, of which Richmond gets no purt. This is mentioned to show the magnitude of this cone and start.



Merry Antoinette, bay mare, foaled 1894, by Buchanan, dam Highlander mare, by imp. Highlander, with bay colt, by Chorister, foal of
1903 at her side. The mare is owned by Dr. James Kerr,
Antrim stud, Warrenton, Va. The colt was sold
during the Washington meeting last
fall to H. T. Griffin for \$450.

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one a few years back. Some years ago
Ehamrock, by Bolus, dam unknown, was
a winner at Sheepshead of a stake, best
ing many of the best. He was bred
by Wm Garth. St. Luke and St. John,
both by Botheration, and bred by Joe.
St. Owens, The Flains, Va., were good
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King William Notes.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ETNA MILLS, VA., Jon. 7.—Mr. and
Mrs. M. A. Martin, who have been at the
home of Mr. W. S. Bowers, Dawn, Va.,
has returned to New York city, where
Mr. Martin is taking a course at the "Cojumble University." Mrs. Martin is studying vocal music under a trainer in the
same city. Mrs. Martin is a daughter of
W. S. Bowers.

Master Moton and David Marks, of
Richmond, have returned to Richmond
after spending the holidays at Mt. Airy,
the hospitable home of Mr. T. B. Whitt.
Miss Florence Ryland, of Walkerton,
Va., the principal of the Enffeld school,
has returned from a pleasant visit with
parents.

J. Hrantley Bray, of "Wakema," Va.,
has been at the hospitable home of W. S.
Bowers. "Dawn," during the holidays, Mr.
Bray is one of the large cord wood shippers of the Peninsula.

A Lively Christmas Week.

A Lively-Christmas Week,

(Special to The Times Dispatch)

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rect rules of the public schools in Vir-ginia. Shall the children of the school bring water, out wood, bring in wood and sweep the school room. If not, who

There is no general statute or regulation on the subject; but the matter is left to local regulation. In cities and janitors are employed and paid to do this work. In most rural schools, the pupils are required to assist the teacher in making the fires, keeping the school room clean and doing other things ne-

the school.

Virginia Cities.

cessary for the comfort and efficiency of

In publishing a list of Virginia cities, we accidentally omitted Portsmouth, which has a population of 17,427.

A Lumber Problem.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,—You will please print in your query column, the following problem, with solution of same, and thereby give much desired information to an old reader of

desired information to the year your spaper.

How many feet of 5-8 inch lumber will be equal to 800 feet of 1-inch lumber, or in other words, a man hauling 800 feet inch lumber would have to baye how many feet 5-8 inch lumber to have an equal bulk or weight, supposing both are thoroughly seasoned.

By solving same you will greatly obligo several interested.

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800 feet by 1 foot by 1 inch. =1280 feet by 1 foot by 5-8 inches, soo feet board measure.

We divide by 5-8 or multiply by 8-5.

Government Homesteads.

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Editor of The Times-Dispatch;

Sir.—Can an American citizen enter a government homestead in Florida by paying the regular entry fee, but not moving his family on same, or making any improvements for a period of six months, after which, can be, after making it his home, making improvements, cultivating land, etc., for six months, by paying for this land at its valuation, get a government patent to same?

Please give me the law on this through the Sunday Times-Dispatch and obligs?

"AN OLD SURSCRIBELL"

Every person who is a head of a family or twenty-one years of age, and a citizen of the United States, or who has filled

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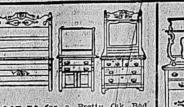
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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

We frequently receive queries which cannot properly be answered in these columns For example, one correspondent wishes to know the address of some manufacturer for wire stretchers and puzzles, and another wishes to know which is the strongest and best of the fraternal organizations of the United States. Our readers readily understand that we cannot undertake to advertise any business opicern. surance organization or what not, in this department of the paper, and we hope that correspondents will keep this in mind when formulating their questions.

We take occasion also to remark that it sometimes requires considerable time to find an answer to a question. Occasionally we have to send the questions for away find an answer to a question. Occasionally we have to send the questions for away from Richmond and wait for a reply and all this takes time. We hope, therefore, that our correspondents will be patient. If you do not find the answer to your question in the next issue of the paper, you may be sure that there is a good reason for the delay.—Editor Queries and Answers.

A Partnership Problem.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch: Sir,-Please give me the solution of the Sir,—Please give me the solution of the following in your query column:

A, B and C form a co-partnership in business. A puts in \$3.42; B puts in \$13.72, and C puts in \$5. Afterwards B takes out \$3.34, and C takes out \$5.33 (\$5 cents more than he puts in). What is the proportional part of each man's share to proportional part of make them equal in expenses?

At the last, A has \$32.42, B \$9.88, and C owes 83 cents.

72.43 A should get .--- part of the S cents 41.80 0.38

- part of the 88 cents. B should get -41.80.

"Sorebacks."

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Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,-Will you kindly publish in your
Sunday's paper query column, why Yirginians are called "sorebacks?"

S. V.

This term may have been applied in playfulness to some of the Virginia soldiers during the war, but in these days Virginians are not called sorebacks, so far as we know.

Lincoln and Davis.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch;
Sir.—Please find out if there is any
truth in the statement that Abraham
Lincoln was the natural brother of Jefterson Davis? READER.

Certainly not, Lincoln's parents were Thomas Lincoln and Nancy Hanks Davis's Samuel Davis and Jane Cook. Their birthdays were less than eight months apart.

Shadows in June and December.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Shr.—By the sun dial, is the shadow in
the same place at 12 o'clock noon in June,
as in December?

"CURIOUS." The only effect of the change in the season is the lengthening or shortening of the shadow. The term should be indicated as well during sunshine in winter as in summer, but the shadow cast by the

vertical hand would be longer in winter School Rules.

tion of fourteen calendar months from n patent upon making proof of settlement and residence and of cultivation for such period of fourteen months, pay, of course, the minimum price per acre, Of course, where residence is not established within six months after date of settlement, unless good cause is shown, and bona fide adverse claim is filed, it would hold against the first entry.

The Constitution.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,-Will you please answer the following question in your query column: Who is the proper-person to apply to for a copy of the new Constitution of Virginia? A READER. The Secretary of the Commonwealth,

Sending Names to Publishers.

Settling Names to Publishers.

Sir,—Please publish in the next issue of your valuable paper the answer to the following question and oblige.

Is it unlawful for a person to send the names of other people (without their consent) to a publisher of a newspaper for sample copies, etc.? INQUIRER.

Distance Around Cape Horn.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch;
Sir,-What is the present distance, respectively, between New York and Florida to San Francisco around Cape Horn?
What distance will be saved by same ships passing through Panama canal?
And oblige your obedient servants. L, B, VAUGHAN & CO.

Distance from New York to 'Frieco, via Cape Horn, about 15,800 miles Via Panama Canal, about.... 6,700 miles

Coldest Day Last Winter.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch; Sir,-Please say what was the lowest that the thermometer registered for Richmond and vicinity last winter. READER. Nine degrees above zero.

A Land Problem.

Editor of The Tines-Dispatchs
Sir,—Please give in the solution of the following in your Query Column:
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mase prove, (1) x + y = 100(2) $444 \times + 1944 \times y = 400$ (3) $444 \times + 444 \times y = 425$ (3) $444 \times + 444 \times y = 425$ (3) $424 \times + 444 \times y = 425$ (3) $424 \times + 444 \times y = 425$

A will pay 50 × 414 or \$212.50 B will pay 50 × 3% or \$187.50

The Lady Maccabees.

Richmond Hive, No. 3, Lady Maccubees, will hold a special/review on Tuesday, at 8 P. M. at Murphy's Assembly

anisses Ebgland and Connors will give a school of instruction to the newly-elect-ed officer; guards will be organized, and other important business will be transacted.

Members are urged to make a specific

Blackstone Prosperous

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BLACKSTONE. VA., January 7.—The nayour has already begun very auspiciously for his place, as the duliness that generally, fo lows the Christmas holidays has not he apparent and the suand business is being dolin all lines. The tobacco market opened to no Tuesday of this wock with very got breaks, and prices as good as prevalled December This is not generally the case. Interviews with many of the leading has loss men of the place show this pass yet to have been absent any of the leading law to have been all speak category and all speak category and the per cent nor The immanufacturing plants all make a cay favorable report, and the bank are in excellent condition.

(Special to The Times Dispatch.)

WILMINGTON, VA., Jan. 7.—The Wilmington Cotilion Club gave their annual german Tuesday evaning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Silas M. Seay. Those present were Miss Susic Bell, Miss Louise Ellet. Miss Clara Kent, Miss Litzle Seay. Miss Marian Sadior, Miss Susie Shopherd, Miss Elizabeth Mooro, Miss Halle Kent, Miss Elizabeth Mooro, Miss Katte Bealt, Miss Ella Smith Bell. Miss Katte Bealt, Miss Chila Smith Belt. Mossys. Lewis Kent, Enacte Moeses. Lewis Kent, Enacte Moore, Ivanhoo Seay, Horbert and Estal, Frank Hell. Vivian Mosly. Eddingy Harland, George Hughes and others.

Music was furnished by a local string Land.

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